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SUBJ: CCMS: INLAND WATER POLLUTION PILOT STUDY

REF: USNATO 2572

SUMMARY: CANADIANS HAVE CIRCULATED AT NATO SLIGHTLY REVISED VERSION OF THEIR FINAL CCMS INLAND WATER POLLUTION PILOT STUDY REPORT (REF) AND HAVE REQUESTED ALLIED CONCURRENCE IN PRESENT TEXT BY SEPTEMBER 16, IN ORDER THAT REPORT MAY BE SUBMITTED CCMS PLENARY IN BRUSSELS OCTOBER 22-23. PLEASE ADVISE. END SUMMARY.

1. CANADIAN NATO DEL HAS CIRCULATED PILOT COUNTRY CANADA'S FINAL REPORT ON CCMS INLAND WATER POLLUTION PILOT STUDY. ACCORDING COVERING LATTER FROM CANADIAN PERMREP MENZIES TO ASYG OZDAS (WITH COPIES TO PERMREPS) REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE PILOT (CANADA) AND CO-PILOT COUNTRIES (BELGIUM, FRANCE AND U.S.) UNCLASSIFIED

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MET IN PARIS JUNE 13 TO REVIEW AND REVISE AS NECESSARY THE REPORT'S RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AS A RESULT OF COMMENTS MADE ON THE EARLIER VERSION OF THE REPORT AS SUBMITTED TO CCMS SPRING 1974 PLENARY IN TURIN (REFTEL). THE

CURRENT REPORT INCORPORATES THOSE ESSENTIALLY MINOR REVISIONS. MENZIES' LETTER ASKS FOR CONFIRMATION BY SEPTEMBER 16 IF POSSIBLE AS TO WHETHER REVISED TEXT IS ACCEPTABLE TO ALL CCMS MEMBERS AND THUS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE 11TH CCMS PLENARY IN BRUSSELS OCTOBER 22-23.

2. CANADIAN LETTER PROPOSES THAT MEMBER NATIONS PROVIDE AN ASSESSMENT (AFTER A PERIOD OF ONE OR TWO YEARS) OF THE PILOT STUDY'S INFLUENCE ON THEIR RESPECTIVE PROGRAMS RELATED TO INLAND WATER POLLUTION. AT THE END OF TWO YEARS, FOLLOWING THIS ASSESSMENT, CANADA WOULD RECOMMEND TERMINATION OF THE PILOT STUDY FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITY. LETTER PAYS TRIBUTE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO LED EFFORTS OF PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES IN PILOT STUDY: MESSRS. RENSON (BELGIUM), PICARD (FRANCE), ERICKSON (U.S.A.) AND HODGES (CANADA, CHAIRMAN).

3. MISSION POUCHING COPY OF REVISED CANADIAN REPORT TO DEPARTMENT (RPM/SCHOLLAERT) FOR TRANSMISSION TO U.S. REP ON THIS PILOT STUDY, ERICKSON (EPA). AS U.S. HAS ALREADY APPROVED CONTENTS OF FINAL REPORT AT CCMS SPRING PLENARY AND ALSO PARTICIPATED AT PARIS MEETING IN SUBSEQUENT MINOR REFORMULATION OF REPORT'S RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, WE ASSUME WE WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THEM AT THIS STAGE. PLEASE ADVISE.

4. TEXT OF REPORT'S RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOWS:  
BEGIN TEXT:

RESOLUTIONS

THE MEMBER NATIONS OF THE ALLIANCE AGREE THAT  
WATER QUALITY PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT ARE  
NECESSARY IF THE PRESENT AND FUTURE NEEDS OF  
MANKIND ARE TO BE ASSURED

THEY ALSO AGREE TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT  
THE URGENCY OF WATER QUALITY PROBLEMS AND THE  
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SERIOUS NATURE OF THE CHALLENGE THEY POSE REQUIRES  
CONCERTED INTERNATIONAL ACTION IN ORDER TO SAFE-  
GUARD THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL WELL-BEING OF  
NATIONS

THEY THEREFORE FURTHER AGREE  
TO COOPERATE ACTIVELY TO ATTAIN REAL AND EFFECTIVE  
WATER MANAGEMENT

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#### RECOMMENDATIONS

THE MEMBER NATIONS OF THE ALLIANCE FOR THE  
ACHIEVEMENT OF THE OBJECTIVE ADOPTION OF FOUR PRINCIPAL  
AREAS FOR ACTION

1. COMPREHENSIVE RIVER BASIN WATER QUALITY PLANNING  
AND MANAGEMENT
2. INDIRECT INSTRUMENTS IN WATER MANAGEMENT
3. THE USE OF MODELS FOR MANAGEMENT DECISION-MAKING
4. DETERMINATION OF WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES AND STANDARDS  
IN INTERNATIONAL WATER COURSES

1. COMPREHENSIVE RIVER BASIN WATER QUALITY  
PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT

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A) ALL MEMBER NATIONS ADOPT THE RIVER BASIN (OR  
SUITABLE SUB-BASINS OR GROUPS OF BASINS) AS THE  
GEOGRAPHIC UNIT FOR WATER QUALITY PLANNING AND  
MANAGEMENT FOR WATER COURSES FLOWING ENTIRELY  
WITHIN THEIR TERRITORY

B) A COMPREHENSIVE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN  
SHOULD INCLUDE FULL CONSIDERATION OF THE  
SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL,

AND INSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS. IT SHOULD PROVIDE FOR  
THE SOLUTION OF IMMEDIATE PROBLEMS AND FOR FUTURE NEEDS

C) BECAUSE IMPLEMENTATION OF SOME PROJECTS MUST  
PROCEED DURING THE PREPARATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE  
PLAN, CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT ACTIONS  
DO NOT RUN COUNTER TO THE DEVELOPING PLAN

D) AN EARLY TASK OF WATER QUALITY PLANNING IS THE  
DETERMINATION OF THE USES OF WATER, THE LEVELS  
OF QUALITY AND QUANTITY REQUIRED FOR THESE USES,  
AND A SCHEDULE FOR ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVES.

## 2. INDIRECT INSTRUMENTS IN WATER MANAGEMENT

BECAUSE INDIRECT INSTRUMENTS APPEAR TO BE PARTICULARLY  
EFFECTIVE IN WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT  
MEMBER NATIONS

A) CONSIDER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF APPROPRIATE ECONOMIC  
INSTRUMENTS SUCH AS EFFLUENT FEES SCALED TO THE SIZE  
OF POLLUTION LOADS RELEASED INTO WATER

B) PROMOTE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE ELABORATION OF  
THE OBJECTIVES IN THE CHOICE OF SUITABLE  
INSTRUMENTS

C) GIVE CONSIDERATION TO THE CREATION OF DECENTRALIZED  
BASIN AGENCIES WITH SUFFICIENT FREEDOM OF ACTION  
TO ATTAIN THE OBJECTIVES ASSIGNED TO THEM  
IN IMPLEMENTING INDIRECT ECONOMIC INSTRUMENTS, IT IS  
RECOMMENDED THAT MEMBER NATIONS

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D) TAKE SPECIAL CARE THAT THE USE OF SUCH  
INSTRUMENTS DOES NOT INTRODUCE COMPETITIVE  
ADVANTAGES IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

## 3. THE USE OF MODELS FOR MANAGEMENT DECISION-MAKING

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT:

A) MATHEMATICAL MODELS BE RECOGNIZED AS IMPORTANT  
AND USEFUL INSTRUMENTS FOR CLARIFYING OBJECTIVES  
AND PREDICTING RESULTS IN WATER QUALITY PLANNING  
AND MANAGEMENT

B) ADDITIONAL RESEARCH AND EXCHANGE OF KNOWLEDGE ON  
MATHEMATICAL MODELLING BE ENCOURAGED AND SUPPORTED  
BY MEMBER COUNTRIES IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT SOME  
PRESENT MODELS HAVE LIMITED CAPABILITY.

4. DETERMINATION OF WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES AND  
STANDARDS IN INTERNATIONAL WATER COURSES

WHEN A RIVER BASIN EXTENDS OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES OF A STATE  
IT IS ONLY POSSIBLE, WHEN FORMULATING RECOMMENDATIONS, TO DEAL  
WITH THE INTERNATIONAL WATER COURSES. IN THIS TEXT AND INTER-  
NATIONAL WATER COURSE MEANS ALL BOUNDARY AND TRANS-BOUNDARY  
RIVERS, CANALS, LAKES AND ESTUARIES. ON THIS BASIS IT IS  
RECOMMENDED THAT

A) IN THE MANAGEMENT OF WATER, QUALITY, INTERNATIONAL  
WATER COURSES BE GIVEN THE SAME PRIORITY AS NATIONAL  
WATER COURSES

B) WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES FOR INTERNATIONAL WATER  
COURSES BE DEVELOPED JOINTLY BY THE COUNTRIES INVOLVED

C) APPROPRIATE FORMAL AND INFORMAL INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGE-  
MENTS BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN COUNTRIES SHARING AN INTER-  
NATIONAL WATER COURSE TO AID IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
OBJECTIVES AND FOR PLANNING AND MANAGING SUCH WATER  
COURSES TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVES.

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